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Ward-Mullinex Property

15959 Union Chapel Road, Daisy

Public

DESCRIPTION:

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SIGNIFICANCE:

The Ward-Mullinex Property was sold in 1880 to Sarah Ward for just over \$200, indicating that there were no improvements to the property at that time. Ward and her husband, John, probably built a house at this location, but no buildings survive. Ward was a 40-year-old farmer. The Wards sold the property in 1900 to their 30-year-old son, George Ward, for \$1,500, indicating that there were improvements at that time. George most likely leased the house to his parents. Living with John and Sarah Ward was their daughter-in-law, Emma, and her two children. In 1899 Emma Ward was appointed school teacher for School No. 7 at Rover, in the Fourth District. In 1907 Emma Ward bought the Daisy house from her brother-in-law, and she continued to teach. She sold the property in 1929 to Norman and Pauline Mullinex, who owned and operated a store. The Mullinexes sold the property to Norman's brother, Robey, in 1944. Robey Mullinex operated an automobile dealership in Daisy. The only surviving structure on the site is the stone "incinerator."

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Ward-Mullinex Property

other

2. Location

street and number 15959 Union Chapel Road not for publication

city, town Daisy vicinity

county Howard

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Howard County MD Dept. of Public Works

street and number 3430 Courthouse Drive telephone

city, town Ellicott City state MD zip code 21043

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse liber 13182 folio 179

city, town Ellicott City tax map 13 tax parcel 57 tax ID number

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			0

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

SUMMARY:

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DESCRIPTION:

The Ward-Mullinex Property is located at 15959 Union Chapel Road, at the southeast corner of Union Chapel Road and Daisy Road, in Daisy in western Howard County, Maryland. The only surviving structure on the site is the stone "incinerator." It is located on the south end of the lot, near the east side of the lot, and faces west toward Daisy Road. There is a driveway from Daisy Road that passes between low stone walls and runs eastward toward the "incinerator." This is a one-story, one-bay square rubble stone structure that is 11 feet, 4 inches wide, 8 feet, 7 inches deep, and 8 feet tall. The north and south walls are battered beginning 3 feet above the current ground level. The structure has been re-pointed with Portland cement.

The west elevation has an opening at ground level that is now mostly below grade. There is a hinge pintel on the south jamb, near the top of the opening, and the lintel is steel angle that is mostly rusted away. Above this is a second opening with two machine-made pintels on the south jamb and a piece of angle steel coming out of the wall to the north of the north jamb. The interior of the opening has an angle iron lintel. There was an angle iron lintel on the exterior, but it is now gone; it has left an impression in the Portland cement re-pointing. To the north of the top opening is scratched into the Portland cement, while it was wet, a date that has been interpreted as "1852", though the "8" is not closed and may actually be a backward "9". There are no openings on the north, south, or east elevations.

The interior is square, rubble stone walls with bars and rods of iron or steel near the top that ran east-west, but most of them are now bent inward and down. They support a corbelled stone cap that is now

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partially collapsed. The east wall, at the top, has several courses of brick in the center that appear to have been for a chimney. The west wall, in the center has a shallow recess that could have been for a chimney. There is modern wire-cut brick debris with mortar on it, in the bottom of the interior. The east wall brick appears to be older. There is no clear evidence of earlier mortar visible. The bottom of the structure is filled with much debris, preventing any inspection of much of the interior.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____	

Specific dates N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

Construction dates N/A

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

SUMMARY:

The Ward-Mullinex Property was sold in 1880 to Sarah Ward for just over \$200, indicating that there were no improvements to the property at that time. Ward and her husband, John, probably built a house at this location, but no buildings survive. Ward was a 40-year-old farmer. The Wards sold the property in 1900 to their 30-year-old son, George Ward, for \$1,500, indicating that there were improvements at that time. George most likely leased the house to his parents. Living with John and Sarah Ward was their daughter-in-law, Emma, and her two children. In 1899 Emma Ward was appointed school teacher for School No. 7 at Rover, in the Fourth District. In 1907 Emma Ward bought the Daisy house from her brother-in-law, and she continued to teach. She sold the property in 1929 to Norman and Pauline Mullinex, who owned and operated a store. The Mullinexes sold the property to Norman's brother, Robey, in 1944. Robey Mullinex operated an automobile dealership in Daisy. The only surviving structure on the site is the stone "incinerator."

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Ward-Mullinex Property at the southeast corner of Union Chapel Road and Daisy Road was part of the William H. Gaither Farm in the 1870s and was sold to Henrietta and Zadok Talbert in 1876. According to the 1878 Hopkins Atlas of Howard County, the Talberts were living well to the east of this site, and there is nothing indicated on this site. In 1880 the Talberts sold 5 acres to Sarah Ward for just over \$200, indicating that there were no improvements to the property at that time. Ward and her husband, John, probably built a house at this location, but no buildings survive. Ward was a 40-year-old farmer, and it is not known if he owned a farm, leased one, or worked as a hired hand on one. The Wards sold the property in 1900 to their 30-year-old son, George Ward, for \$1,500, indicating that there were improvements at that time. George was living with his wife and mother-in-law in Baltimore City,

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where he worked as a book keeper, and he most likely leased the house to his parents. Living with John and Sarah Ward was their daughter-in-law, Emma, and her two children. The Ward's youngest son, Thomas, was apparently deceased, and in 1899 Emma Ward was appointed school teacher for School No. 7 at Rover, in the Fourth District. In 1907 Emma Ward bought the Daisy house from her brother-in-law for \$1,250, and she continued to teach at least until 1910. She sold the property in 1929 to Norman and Pauline Mullinex, who owned and operated a store on the north side of Union Chapel Road. The Mullinexes sold the property to Norman's brother, Robey, in 1944. Robey Mullinex operated an automobile dealership in Daisy, and in 1966 the Ward Property became part of Mullinex Motors. Several CMU shop buildings were constructed on the site, and these have recently been demolished. The fate of any earlier buildings that the Wards built is unknown.¹

The only surviving structure on the site is the stone "incinerator." While it may have been used most recently as an incinerator, whether it was built for that purpose is problematic. There was a brick chimney on the structure, at the rear on top of the stone, with a door on the front and a clean-out below it. Only the hinge pintels of the door to the top opening survive. The lower opening is mostly buried, but there is a pintel near the top of this opening, so it must also have had a door. The structure has been built or heavily re-pointed with Portland cement in the twentieth century, which could mean either heavy use that deteriorated the structure, or a repurposing of the structure. Scratched into this Portland cement, while it was wet, is a date that has been interpreted as "1852", though the "8" is not closed and may actually be a backward "9". Most stone is not good in heat, so stone structures subjected to high heat (such as a lime kiln or iron furnace) were typically lined with brick. There is no evidence of any brick lining, though there may be below the rubble that has filled the interior of the structure. The form of the structure and the arrangement of its openings are not consistent with either a lime kiln or iron furnace. Archaeological investigations in and around it may be able to further inform us about the original use of the structure. This researcher has never seen an incinerator on a farm before. Typically, what little that was available (farmers have never wasted much) that could be burnt, and was, was done so in a pile or, later in the 20th c., in a wire basket or metal drum. Going to the effort to build such a structure as this suggests a great deal of activity here, whatever it was being used for. A better understanding of what this was will take time and research.

¹ U. S. Bureau of the Census, District 4, Howard County, Maryland, 1880, 1900, 1910; Precinct 10, Baltimore City, Maryland, 1900. Howard County Board of School Commissioners, "Minutes", book 3, 1899-1917, frontispiece & p. 17. Hugh E. Flaherty, "A Short History of Daisy," typescript, 2008.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See footnotes

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 4.1894 A
Acreage of historical setting 5 A
Quadrangle name Woodbine

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of the outlines of the property, tax map 13, parcel 57, which encompasses all of the historic buildings and features on the site.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Ken Short		
organization	Howard County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	October 2011
street & number	3430 Courthouse Drive	telephone	410-313-4335
city or town	Ellicott City	state	MD

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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Maryland Department of Planning
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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THE WARD-MULLINEX PROPERTY (HO-1035)
15959 UNION CHAPEL ROAD
CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR/HOME	GRANTEE/HOME	DATE	LIBER/ FOLIO	INSTRU- MENT	CONSIDER- ATION	ACREAGE	NOTES
15959 Union Chapel Rd LLC / MD Co	Saglimbeni Properties LLC / MD Co	28 Feb. 2006	MDR 9852-644	Deed – fee simple	\$750,000	1) 3.8236 A 2) .3058 A	
Daisy Enterprises Ltd Partnership / ?	15959 Union Chapel Rd LLC / ?	4 June 2004	MDR 8456-158	Deed – fee simple	\$499,000	1) 3.8236 A 2) .3058 A	
Mullinex Motors, Inc.	Joan R. Mullinex G. Thomas Mullinex, co- partners of Daisy Enterprises Ltd. Partner.	11 Aug. 1988	1932-396				
A. Robey & Mildred M. Mullinex	Mullinex Motors, Inc.	14 June 1966	WHH 456-59	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	1) 4.7565 A - - 821 A 2) ? 3) ?	
Norman & Pauline H. Mullinex (H/W) / Howard	A. Robey & Mildred M. Mullinex (H/W) / Howard	7 June 1944	BM Jr. 183-103	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	4.7565 A	
Emma I. Ward, widow / Howard	Norman & Pauline H. Mullinex (H/W) / Howard	3 June 1929	HSK 136-288	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	5-0-10 ARP - .306 A	
George W. & Susan F. Ward (H/W) / Balto. City	Emma I. Ward	30 Jan. 1907	WWLC 84-126	Deed – fee simple	\$1,250	5-0-10 ARP	p/o "Ridgely's Great Park"
Sarah C. & John W. Ward (W&H) / Howard	George W. Ward	18 June 1900	JHO 72-320	Deed – fee simple	\$1,500	5-0-10 ARP	
Henrietta & Zadok Talbert (W&H) / Howard	Sarah C. Ward / ?	5 July 1880	LJW 42-402	Deed – fee simple	\$202.50	5-0-10 ARP	

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GRANTOR/HOME	GRANTEE/HOME	DATE	LIBER/ FOLIO	INSTRU- MENT	CONSIDER- ATION	ACREAGE	NOTES
William H. Gaither & wf Susan F. / Howard	Henrietta Talbert / Howard	28 Dec. 1876	LJW 37-382	Deed – ?	\$2,200	143 ¾ A	p/o "Ridgelys Range" p/o "Ridgelys Great Park" where Bunker Hill Road crosses Union Chapel Rd to W. side of Cattail River subject to mortgage money due Edwin W. Owings which Talbert & husb. Zadok agree to pay [no prev. ref.]
Charles Perry Gaither / Tallahassee, FL	William H. Gaither	23 Aug. 1870	31-32	Deed – fee simple	\$1.00 & property in deed of even date	1) 143 ¾ A 2) 20 A	p/o RE of late Perry Gaither "Ridgelys Great Park" 1) bounded by lands of Washington A. Peddicord, Evan T. Ridgely & late Caleb Dorsey [WWW 30-382, 75A of Perry Gaither's land to C.P.G.]

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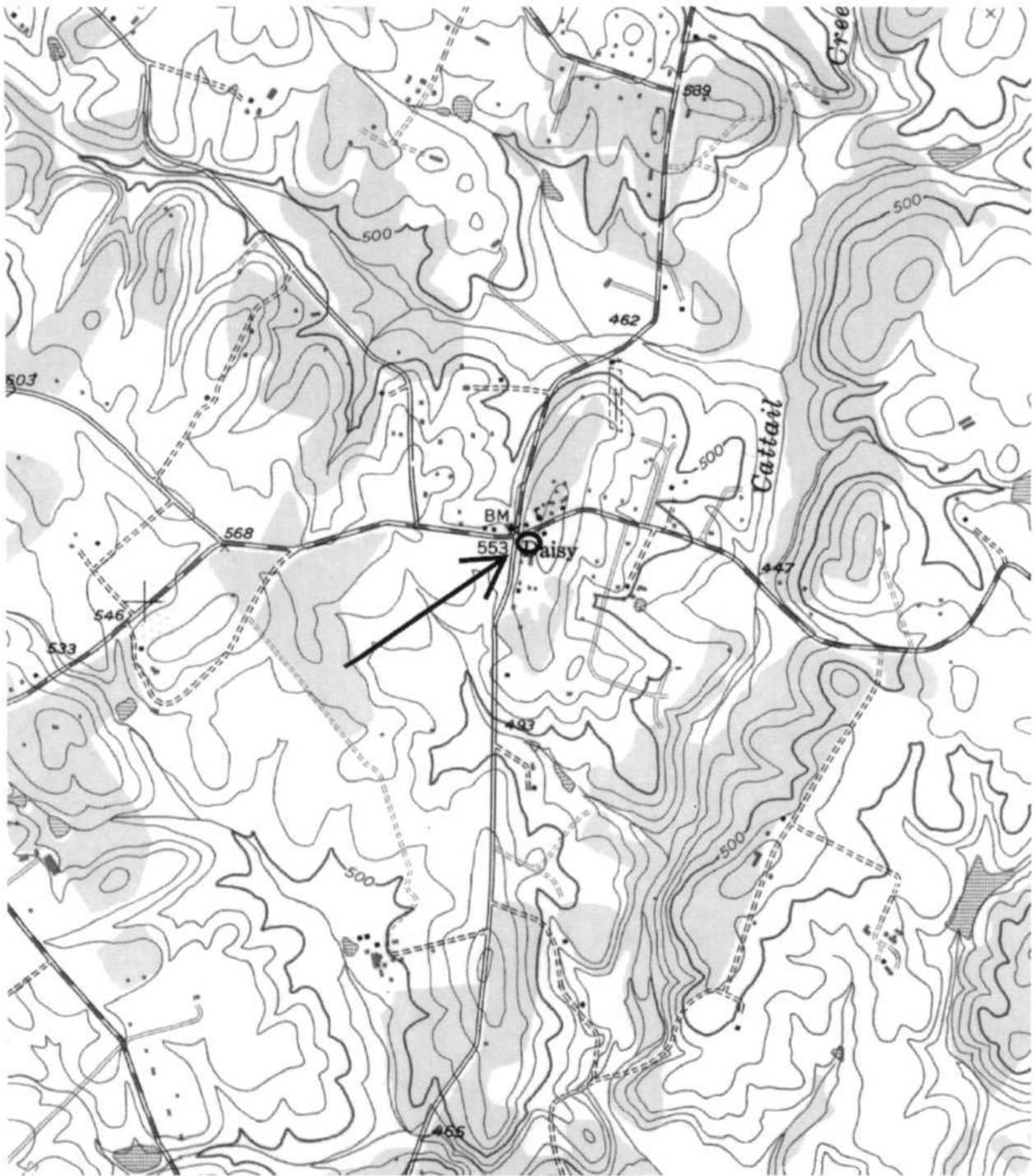
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Woodbine quad

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Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log

Nikon D-70 camera
HP Premium Plus paper
HP Gray Photo print cartridge

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North & west elevations

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Interior, ceiling



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